

**EGYPT**



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**ASWAN.ABU SIMBEL**





Nile at Aswan



Philae Temple

Philae	Tel. 2117
Abu Simbel	Tel. 2888
Kalabsha	Tel. 2999
Nile City	Tel. 2844
Grand Hotel	Tel. 2707
Youth Hostel	Tel.

#### Tourist Attractions in Aswan

**The High Dam :** This most important engineering feat of 20th Century Egypt is 9 kms south of Aswan.

**Elephantine Island :** Situated on this island are some ancient Egyptian and Ptolemaic monuments, and also a museum.

**The Island of Philae :** This island which lies about 5 kms south of Aswan is the site of the famous Ptolemaic temples.

**The Plants Island :** A paradise of foliage and floral beauty.

**Tombs of the Nobles :** Cut into the face of the Western bank cliffs, these tombs were constructed by princes and nobles of the Old and Middle Kingdoms.

**The Monastery of St. Simon :** This monastery dates back to the 8th Century.

**The Agha Khan Mausoleum :** A fine piece of Islamic architecture housing the tomb of the Agha Khan, the head of the Ismailite sect.

**The Granite Quarries :** The storehouse of granite for the Pharaonic temples, obelisks, statues, and sarcophagi. There can be seen the gigantic Unfinished Obelisk.

#### ABU SIMBEL

280 kms south of Aswan, you will see the huge rock-hewn. Temples of Abu Simbel. The two gigantic, yet serenely lovely Temples of Ramses II and his queen, Nefertari, were built between 1300 — 1233 B.C., and are perhaps the best surviving monuments to the power and grandeur of the Pharaohs of the New Kingdom.

These two temples are recognized the world over both as artistic marvels and an architectural tour de force. They became a world news item of interest in the 1960's when they were in danger of being submerged by the waters of Lake Nasser, the vast man-made lake behind the High Dam. They were blessedly reprieved by the technical and material assistance to which all countries in the world contributed eagerly and generously in response to the campaign launched by the UNESCO and Egypt.

The facade of the Great Temple is 32 meters high, and 38 meters wide. Adding to the splendour of that facade are the four seated figures of Ramses II. Each of these statues is 20 meters high. They have been hewn into the sand-stone cliff, and

for over 3000 years have been miraculously protected against wind erosion due to their sheltered position. Less than 50 yards away, the Smaller Temple, of Queen Nefertari, is in a good state of preservation. Its facade is decorated with 6 statues, four of Ramses, and two of Nefertari.

#### Transport Service to Abu Simbel :

**By Air,** in regular daily flights from Cairo. Tel. 922444.

**By Speed-boat (Hydrofoil),** from Aswan. For reservation, contact Misr Travel branch in Aswan. Fare is L.E. 16.50 all inclusive.

#### Hotels :

Nefertari Hotel (20 rooms, 32 beds) Double room with bath is L.E. 8, Breakfast P.T. 60, Lunch P.T. 180, and Dinner P.T. 200

The hotel is open from the first of November to the end of May. The hotel has a lovely swimming - pool, and a tennis court.

For All Information contact

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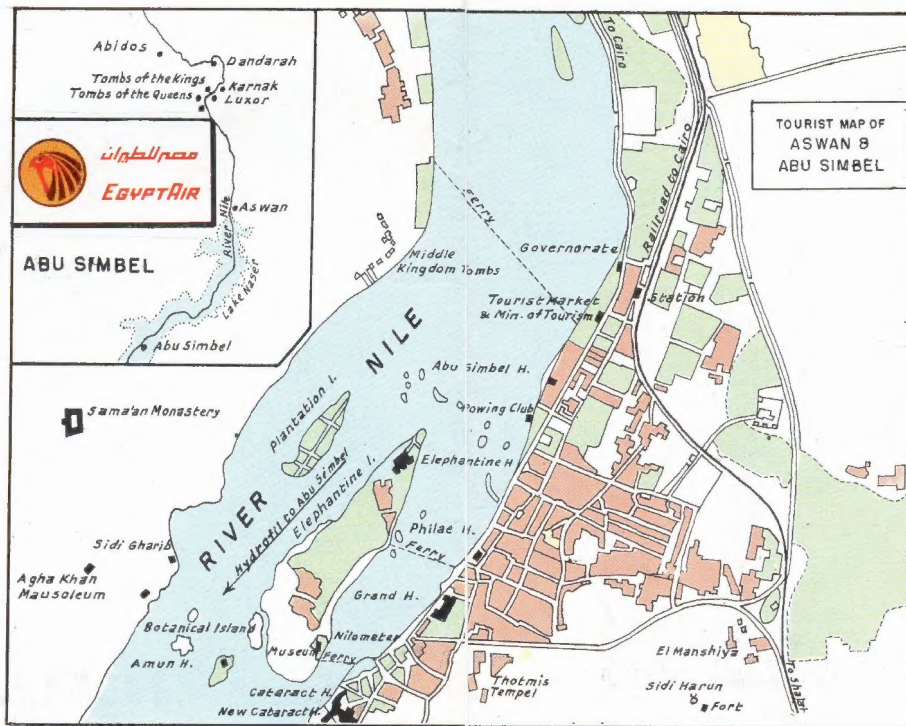
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New Cataract Hotel-Aswan



Exotic Gardens-Aswan



Nefertari Temple

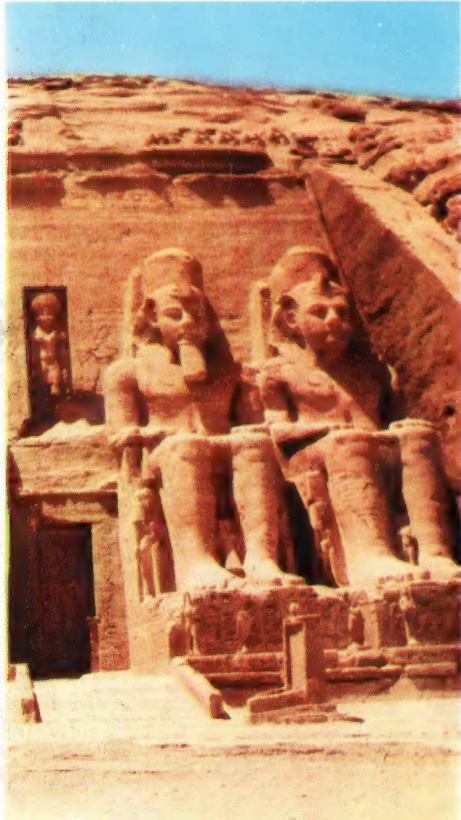


Cataract Hotel-Aswan



## ASWAN & ABU SIMBEL ASWAN

Aswan is one of the most lovely winter resorts in the world. There, on the eastern bank of the Nile (899 kms south of Cairo), you will find yourself in an easy, relaxing atmosphere amidst a landscape created out of nature's most pleasant moods and



richest colours. In this storybook land, true to the traditions of Egypt and Africa, you will breathe dry air, bask in the health-giving sunshine, and relive history.

### Weather Statistics :

Temperature Mean in centigrade

	Jan.	July
Mini.	9.5	26.1
Maxi.	24.2	41.6

Humidity Percentage :

43%	25%
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### Transport Service to Aswan :

**By Trains**, most of which are air-Conditioned, and include sleeping and dining cars. The journey takes 16 hours (from Cairo).

**By Air**, the Misr Air regular daily flights make the journey in two and a half hours. Contact Tel. 922444 Cairo.

**By Nile Steamer**, passages are arranged by travel agents throughout the tourist season (in winter)

### Hotels in Aswan :

Oberoi Aswan	Tel. 3455
Cataract	Tel. 3222
Amun	Tel. 2555

